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"UNAUTHORIZED" SAYS BUTLER.

He Does Not Approve for the Call of Conference Either at Kansas City or Memphis.

DEPLORES SEPARATE CALL. For the Reform Press Meeting—He Does Not Favor a Conference.

Washington Post. Senator Marion Butler, Chairman of the People's Party National Committee, when asked if he would endorse, sign, and issue Edgerton's call for a conference, said:

"No. I think that such a conference at this time is not only unnecessary, but would be a great mistake."

When asked if he approved of Edgerton's call for a separate and independent meeting of the reform editors at Kansas City, February 22, to organize a new Reform Press Association, he said:

"No. Most positively I do not. I wrote to Mr. Edgerton as soon as I was informed of his action, expressing my strong disapproval of his name and urging him to revoke his call for such a meeting; and urging him and all who agreed with him in this matter to attend the Memphis meeting of the Reform Press Association."

Then Senator Butler was asked: "Do you endorse Vandervoort in this matter?"

"Well," he said, "I cannot say that I endorse Vandervoort in anything. In every place I do consider him a true Populist. He has no standing among the Populists in his own State, and is there looked upon as an unreliable man and as a corporation hood."

Senator Butler was asked: "Do you think that the Memphis meeting of the Reform Press Association is a good thing?"

"I think it is a very good thing," he said. "I think it is a very good thing that the Memphis meeting of the Reform Press Association is a good thing."

At 2:15 p.m. the Senate adjourned until 12 m. Wednesday.

The House met at 10 a.m. and Ray, Dr. Eugene Daniel, offered prayer.

Among the bills introduced were the following: Mr. Hancock—To amend chapter 16, section 701, of the Code, by providing that nothing of this chapter shall authorize or empower corporations organized under this chapter to lease, run, manage or control any railroad already built, or which may be constructed hereafter.

Mr. Pool—To appropriate \$2,000 annually to the colored normal school at Elizabeth City.

Mr. Dockery—To amend the law regarding analysis of fertilizers, by providing that if the analysis shows the presence of hair, hoof-manure, leather or any other deleterious material, publication shall be duly made, and such fraudulent fertilizers shall be seized and condemned.

The bill to make it indictable to interrupt a public speaker came up and was read a third time.

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WHO WILL CONTROL THE SENATE?

The Senatorial Contest Now Being Wedged in South Dakota Will Probably Determine It—The Arbitration Treaty.

A DANGEROUS MEASURE. The Chances for Defeating This British Treaty Improve Each Day—How Sentiment in Favor of It is Working.

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CHAPTER FROM BRYAN'S BOOK.

Taken From Advance Proof Sheets of the Book, Which Will Be Out in a Few Days.

ORMAN BUTLER'S SPEECH. At the St. Louis Convention. Watch Bryan's forthcoming book. It is the speech delivered by Senator Butler as temporary chairman of the national convention of the People's Party. The speech was entirely extempore. Senator Butler spoke without notes. The Associated Press sent out a condensed review of it. But it is now published (nearly complete) for the first time. Only those who were at the convention and saw the ending of the convention and intensity of feeling fully appreciate certain portions of the speech and the effect it had upon the convention. The following (as published in Bryan's book) is taken from a stenographer's report:

Follow Citizens! All history teaches that there came great crises in the affairs of men. All history teaches that humanity is great and noble and high level of temporarily cursed, according to the ability of the men, upon whose shoulders the burden of the world rests. To meet the crisis with wisdom and patriotism and to use it for the betterment of humanity. Two political parties have been formed, and the people have put forward their leaders.

Another political party, young, but a growing and a strong one, has assembled to speak to the American people at this important and critical hour.

We are here because there is need for a new party. The two parties that have already spoken have between them had charge of the machinery of a great republic. They have done well, but the government there are the greatest possibilities for good and for evil—the kind of government that the prosperity of the people and the nation depend upon to the greatest degree. The two parties have between them had charge of your government for over thirty years, and during that time a great and noble people, a people laboring to carry out the injunction to make two blades of grass grow out of one seed, have been formed their duty in the eyes of God and man, and have made this country blossom like a rose, as for as creating wealth and prosperity, and as for as the time of unexampled greatness of wealth, of unexampled industry and economy on the part of the people, these two parties have succeeded in winning the wealth from the hands of those who created it, and have been able to keep it in the hands of the people.

Did they do this? Did they not know better? Were they honestly mistaken, or did they do it on purpose? In either event their leadership is discredited and when that election comes, we will see the result of this party organization is proven. Every candidate put before the American people has been a man who has been elected and has carried joy to the hearts of aggregated capital and combined greed. The two parties that have been in touch with, and have the ability of evil powers that have created wealth and prosperity, and as for as the time of unexampled greatness of wealth, of unexampled industry and economy on the part of the people, these two parties have succeeded in winning the wealth from the hands of those who created it, and have been able to keep it in the hands of the people.

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